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TOPIC Werneuchen Airfield

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Between 4 and 16 February 1954, no jet aircraft were stationed at Werneuchen airfield. Po-2s practiced local flying every day. Up to 3 Po-2s were simultaneously observed aloft. On some days, air activity was conducted until about 9 p.m.¹
2. On 4 February, an AA unit transferred from Werneuchen to Neubukow by rail and involved 3 SS-type cars, 3 S-type cars, 9 flatcars, 4 boxcars, and 6 converted boxcars. The shipment included 7 x 76-mm AA guns, 12 to 15 trucks, 1 small one-axle trailer, which was about 1.2 meters high and wide, 15 meters long and covered with tarpaulins, 140 to 160 men of whom 92 had arrived in march column. A railroad man said that the loading operations were performed at the loading ramp near the warehouse at the field. The railroad cars for this shipment had been requested at the Werneuchen railroad station by a Soviet lieutenant colonel on 2 February. In this connection, Major Smirnov (fnu) was repeatedly mentioned. An AA unit which had left Neubukow on 12 February arrived in Werneuchen on 13 February. The shipment was composed of the same railroad cars as the shipment observed on 4 February. The shunter of the train stated that the shipment was unloaded near the warehouse at the field. Between 4 and 12 February, the two AA gun emplacements in the western section of the airfield were vacant. The emplacements could no longer be observed after 13 February.²
3. The following supply shipments were observed between 25 January and 16 February:
25 January. A boxcar with military goods arrived in Werneuchen coming from Justertog-Altes Lager. The dispatcher and consignee were both the Soviet Army.
9 February. Ten gondola cars with 200 tons of briquettes from Strassgruelchen arrived for Unit Maloletnev.
14 February. A gondola car with round and sawed timber from Neuzelle arrived for the Kech office. The name of Major Shilbrov (fnu) was also entered on the shipping documents as consignee.
16 February. One gondola car with round timber arrived for the Kech office, coming from Neuzelle.³

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1. [] Comment. Werneuchen airfield is used for practice flights by pilots of a nearby airfield, possibly Pinow airfield.
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2. [] Comment. These shipments were previously reported. See [] The information confirms that medium AA units with at least 7 x 76-mm AA guns are now stationed at Werneuchen airfield. The AA guns which have no longer been observed in the displacements since the transfer of the bomber units from Werneuchen are probably parked in the vacant hangars. Neulukow is the unloading station for the Wustrow AA firing range on the Baltic Sea.
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3. [] Comment. Paloletnev and Shtierov have repeatedly been reported as the consignees of supply goods. Smirnov, mentioned in paragraph 2, is probably identical with Shtierov.

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